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Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee from Syria Fadi Khaled Nasrullah, from Yarmouk Camp, along with his wife and two children continue to launch cries for help as they have been detained at Erbil International Airport, the main airport of Erbil city in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, after they were deported by the Turkish police.

Authorities have threatened to push them back to Lebanon before being deported to Syria.



In appeals emailed to AGPS, the family, detained at the airport for the second day running, called on the concerned human rights bodies, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and Palestinian factions to take urgent steps in order to pressurize the Kurdistan authorities to backtrack on the refoulement decision.

Speaking with AGPS by phone, the wife, Myriam Ibrahim, said her family legally left Lebanon from Rafic Hariri Airport in Beirut on way to Erbil city, where they stayed for one week before they attempted to illegally reach Turkey by means of a transit visa.



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Shortly after they landed at Istanbul Airport, they were caught by the Turkish authorities on June 21, 2019, and detained for one day, before they were pushed back to Erbil, where authorities threatened to forcibly deport them to Lebanon.

The wife added that the family has lost all of its belongings and property in the Syrian warfare and that any attempt to force them back to Syria will make their situation far worse.

The wife, who took shelter in Yarmouk Camp, in Damascus, before she headed along with her husband to the southern Lebanese city of Sidon in 2013, fleeing the fierce shootouts, had gone through unbearable moments in Lebanon as a result of the price leap and lack of access to the Labor market.

Along the same line, the family of Palestinian refugee from Syria Fadi Taha AlSamneh, born in 1989, urged the Turkish authorities and national and international NGOs to work on disclosing the fate of their son.





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In a letter sent to AGPS, AlSamneh's family said their son has gone missing for the sixth month in the Turkish city of Izmir. His condition and whereabouts remain unknown.

Over 326 Palestinian refugees from Syria, including 38 women and girls, have gone missing since the outbreak of the Syrian warfare, AGPS has found out.

Meanwhile, a free medical day was held by AlBirr Association for Charity and Social Services in Daraa Camp. Pediatricians, general practitioners, gynecologists, and orthopedic physicians took part in the event.

386 residents of Daraa Camp, including 200 children, received free medical check-ups and medicines.

Over recent years, residents of Daraa Camp have frequently sounded distress signals over the absence of health services and life-saving medical kit. Most of the clinics and medical centers in the area have gone out of operation in the warfare.

Reporting from southern Syria, an AGPS correspondent said UNRWA's clinic has not been reconstructed yet, leaving hundreds of civilians without medical treatment.

UNRWA clinics and health centers have gone out of operation in the government-held Daraa Camp, exacerbating the health condition of hundreds of displaced Palestinians taking refuge in the area.



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Over 600 Palestinian families taking shelter in Daraa Camp, south of Syria, have been subjected to dire conditions. Dozens of sick and elderly civilians face mountainous journeys trying to reach AlKashef area for treatment.

Founded in 1950-1951, Daraa Camp is home to over 650 displaced Palestinian families. As many as 4,500 families used to take shelter in the camp prior to the outbreak of the conflict in 2011.

In the meantime, the Syrian Red Crescent Society handed over, on Sunday, food aids to a number of families who returned to Daraa Camp.

450 families registered with the Red Crescent reportedly benefited from the move.

All the way through Syria's eight-year conflict, residents of Daraa Camp have been grappling with dire socio-economic conditions and poor infrastructure.



The residents also said the poor sanitation networks and improper sewage disposal, which they attributed to the frequent blackouts



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and maintenance works in the area, have brought about an acute damage on their health and property.

A mass exodus from Daraa Camp occurred as a result of the deadly shelling rocking the area. Government onslaughts on the camp using missiles and explosive barrels led to the destruction of 80% of civilian buildings and facilities.